

**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

First Inventor

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Title

Methods and Systems for Communicating Vehicular Data

Express Mail Label No.

EF079343000US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 20]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
- Descriptive title of the Invention  
- Cross References to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix  
- Background of the Invention  
- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 7]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 1]  
a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)  
a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)  
b. Specification Sequence Listing on:  
i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or  
ii. ☐ paper  
c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Check # 16874 583 in the amount of \$ 632

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment,  
or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP)of prior application No: 09 / 455,145

Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_


Group / Art Unit: 2768

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied  
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
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| Application Number   | Unassigned                             |
| Filing Date          | 2/2/2001                               |
| First Named Inventor | Kelley L. Zimmerman/Scott P. Zimmerman |
| Examiner Name        | Unassigned                             |
| Group / Art Unit     | 2768                                   |
| Attorney Docket No.  |  |

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Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

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| 101                  | 710                   | 201                  | 355                   | Utility filing fee     | 355      |
| 106                  | 320                   | 206                  | 160                   | Design filing fee      |          |
| 107                  | 490                   | 207                  | 245                   | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108                  | 710                   | 208                  | 355                   | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 114                  | 150                   | 214                  | 75                    | Provisional filing fee |          |

**SUBTOTAL (1)**

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**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

|                       |    |       |   |    |   |    |   |     |
|-----------------------|----|-------|---|----|---|----|---|-----|
| Total Claims          | 33 | -20** | = | 13 | X | 9  | = | 117 |
| Independent<br>Claims | 7  | -3**  | = | 4  | X | 40 | = | 160 |
| Multiple<br>Dependent |    |       |   |    | X |    | = | 0   |

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|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 103                  | 18                    | 203                  | 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 102                  | 80                    | 202                  | 40                    | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 104                  | 270                   | 204                  | 135                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 109                  | 80                    | 209                  | 40                    | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 110                  | 18                    | 210                  | 9                     | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 105         | 130                            | 205         | 65                             | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |             |
| 127         | 50                             | 227         | 25                             | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.                    |             |
| 139         | 130                            | 139         | 130                            | Non-English specification  |             |
| 147         | 2,520                          | 147         | 2,520                          | For filing a request for reexamination                                     |             |
| 112         | 920*                           | 112         | 920*                           | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |             |
| 113         | 1,840*                         | 113         | 1,840*                         | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |             |
| 115         | 110                            | 215         | 55                             | Extension for reply within first month                                     |             |
| 116         | 390                            | 216         | 195                            | Extension for reply within second month                                    |             |
| 117         | 890                            | 217         | 445                            | Extension for reply within third month                                     |             |
| 118         | 1,390                          | 218         | 695                            | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |             |
| 128         | 1,890                          | 228         | 945                            | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |             |
| 119         | 310                            | 219         | 155                            | Notice of Appeal   |             |
| 120         | 310                            | 220         | 155                            | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |             |
| 121         | 270                            | 221         | 135                            | Request for oral hearing   |             |
| 138         | 1,510                          | 138         | 1,510                          | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |             |
| 140         | 110                            | 240         | 55                             | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |             |
| 141         | 1,240                          | 241         | 620                            | Petition to revive - unintentional   |             |
| 142         | 1,240                          | 242         | 620                            | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |             |
| 143         | 440                            | 243         | 220                            | Design issue fee   |             |
| 144         | 600                            | 244         | 300                            | Plant issue fee  |             |
| 122         | 130                            | 122         | 130                            | Petitions to the Commissioner  |             |
| 123         | 130                            | 123         | 130                            | Petitions related to provisional applications                              |             |
| 126         | 180                            | 126         | 180                            | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |             |
| 581         | 40                             | 581         | 40                             | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |             |
| 146         | 710                            | 246         | 355                            | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |             |
| 149         | 710                            | 249         | 355                            | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |             |
| 179         | 710                            | 279         | 355                            | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |             |
| 169         | 900                            | 169         | 900                            | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |             |

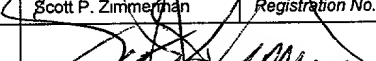
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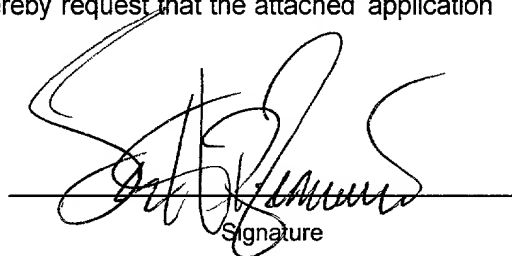
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| <b>REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION<br/>UNDER<br/>35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)</b> | First Named Inventor |  | Zimmerman |
|  | Title                | Methods and Systems for Communicating Vehicular Data |           |
|  | Atty Docket Number   |  |           |

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Date



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